



## **ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL** **HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL**

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### **SUMMARY FOR 2-6-12 THROUGH 3-4-12**

This report takes us through week nine of 2012. At this time last year we had made a total of 222 arrests. This year our total is 239. Last year at this time we had handled 647 radio calls for service. This year we have already handled 738 calls. It is far too early to see any firm patterns, but early indications foresee another busy year for BID Security.

### **EVENTS OF INTEREST:**

On 2-13-12, our Officer Thompson was on foot beat in the area of Hollywood and Highland. He used his French and limited Italian language skills to assist a group of tourists requesting directions. We take our role as ambassadors for Hollywood seriously and always make time to assist tourists and others.

On 2-14-12, our Officers were conducting a business check at the strip mall located in the 1100 block of Vine. They spoke to the owner and learned that the Laundromat had closed after 40 years. He said that this business had deteriorated and he welcomed its closing.

They also spoke to Julia at the Beauty Shop. She said that she is always so happy to see us there. She said that she felt unsafe before our patrols as scary people used to hang out in the parking lot in the past.

On 2-14-12, our Officers contacted Mike as he was aggressively panhandling in traffic at Sunset and Van Ness. Mike said that he lives in Montebello. He used to live in Hollywood and returned to panhandle. He then got into his car which was parked at Denny's, and drove away. This is of interest because things are often not what they seem.

### **MEETINGS ATTENDED:**

- 1) 2-6-12 Disney, City Attorney, BID, Character Issues Meeting
- 2) 2-7-12 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 3) 2-7-12 HHOT Outreach Meeting
- 4) 2-9-12 BID Joint Security Meeting
- 5) 2-9-12 H+H Retail Meeting



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- 6) 2-14-12 SBID Board Meeting
- 7) 2-14-12 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 8) 2-16-12 H+H Retail Meeting
- 9) 2-23-12 H+H Retail Meeting
- 10) 2-28-12 CPAB Meeting
- 11) 2-28-12 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 12) 2-18-12 HHOT Outreach Meeting
  
- 13) 3-1-12 H+H Retail Meeting

### **OUTREACH:**

On 2-7-12, we received a radio call of 2 males sleeping at 1810 Cahuenga. One was sent on his way, but, the other could not get up. We called Paramedics who responded and took him to the hospital.

On 2-7-12, our Officers met with the homeless Mark in the 6600 block of Selma. We had requested that he be allowed to enter the Gower Winter Shelter. Amie approved the placement and Mark was advised that he could sleep there tonight.

Our Officers also spoke to Angela at the same location. She has been homeless for a year and moves between Hollywood and North Hollywood. We also requested space for her in the shelter and she was approved and slept there the next night.

On 2-8-12, our Officers contacted Richard at 6776 Hollywood Blvd. He is a homeless Veteran. Our Officers helped him fill out paperwork towards getting housing. We notified PATH and Gett Love.

On 2-9-12, our Officers Mike and Mike received a call from LAPD Unit 6Q3 (Lam/Motts) regarding a homeless Veteran named Charles. They said he needed help getting housing and wondered if we could help. Our guys met with Charles at Wilcox and De Longpre and gathered his information. They then contacted Karen of the Veteran's Administration and she advised that his paperwork was complete and that she would meet with him this afternoon to arrange housing.

On 2-9-12, our Officers contacted David who is a homeless Veteran. Over the last couple of years we have arrested him for drinking in public, possession of marijuana and trespass. Although we were forced to arrest him, we still tried to help him access services available to Veterans. He has recently been approved for housing, but had been missing. We arranged a meeting for him with Karen from the Veteran's Administration.



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On 2-9-12, we arrested Kenny for blocking the sidewalk at 6300 Hollywood Blvd. We feel that Kenny has serious mental illness. LAPD Officers responded and agreed to take him in for 5150 so he could be taken to the hospital for evaluation.

On 2-10-12, our Officers were flagged down at Cahuenga and Yucca. An elderly woman had been struck by a car and was down on the ground in the intersection. Our Officers directed traffic away from her until the arrival of the LAPD and Paramedics.

On 2-10-12, our Officers contacted the young homeless Johnson family at Wilcox and Yucca. The couple has an infant son. They said they have been staying on the street in the area for about three months. They feared staying in downtown shelters and found the streets to be safer. Our guys set up an appointment for the family with Nathan at the

Church of the Blessed Sacrament. They also gave them a list of area family shelters and services.

On 2-12-12, we received a radio call of a man down at 1810 Wilcox. We found 'TJ' on the ground and were unable to rouse him. We called Paramedics who responded and took him to the hospital. The business owner that had called was grateful for the quick and thorough response.

On 2-14-12, I presented my report for 2011 as well as a power point presentation for the SBID Board. Afterwards I called for a BID unit to pick me and Joe Salazar up so we could return to our office. I noticed Cheerios all over the back seat of our Patrol vehicle and asked for an explanation.

Sgt. Reyes and Officer Sewell said that the cereal had belonged to Jamison. They had found young mother Mandi Lee crying uncontrollably at 1810 Cahuenga. She had her 19 month old son Jamison with her. In a prior report, I wrote about this family and our attempts to help them. At that time her boyfriend was with her. He had since abandoned her and Jamison and she was distraught.

Mandi said that she came to Hollywood from Wheat Ridge Colorado about two months ago looking for work. After that did not work out, she has been trying to return to her grandmother's house in Colorado. She said she now has no money, shelter, food or protection for her child.



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Our Officers first tried taking Mandi to Traveler's Aid at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament. They were told they had moved to 1507 Winona. They feared leaving Mandi and her child on the street so they requested and were granted permission to drive them there. Upon arrival they found that the agency was closed.

They then took the small family to the PATH Mall where they spoke to Counselor Vanessa. She said that Traveler's Aid had gone out of business. After hearing the details, Vanessa found a shelter of Mandi in Pasadena. She arranged for a cab for transportation and agreed to help get her back to Colorado. Mandi was thankful and little Jamison yelled 'bye bye' to our guys as they drove away.

On 2-16-12, our Officers contacted the elderly Donna. She needed to get to the Church of the Blessed Sacrament to get a driver's license, but had no way to get there. We gave her a ride.

On 2-20-12, three homeless youths came to our office. They gave their names as Two-Cory, Ana and AJ. They were afraid and said they were being followed by members of the Hollywood Dog gang. AJ said she called her mother in Orange County and she agreed to let the trio stay there. Ana said they did not know how to get there and that they were afraid to be on the street. Our Officers gave them directions and walked them to the Metro Station.

On 2-21-12, we received an update on the status of the 39 year old homeless Scott. We have been working with various outreach groups to assist Scott. He is extremely overweight and has congestive heart failure. It has been challenge finding a shelter that can accommodate him. PATH has been sheltering him in an oversized bed temporarily. They take him directly to the hospital from the shelter. He is being assigned a case worker that will get him signed up for SSDI and section 8 Housing.

On 2-24-12, our Officers spoke to Arni at 1810 Cahuenga. He had been homeless in Hollywood the past and very mentally unstable. On this occasion he looked great. He was obviously taking his prescribed medications. He now lives in Arizona with his mother and is just here visiting her for a few days. He thanked our Officers for all their help in the past.

On 2-27-12, our Officers were flagged down by Joeann who was with her two year old son Mikah. She said that she came to Los Angeles a few weeks ago to meet her mother who had abandoned her when she was two years old. The meeting did not go well as her drug addicted



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mother stole her savings and left her and her baby stranded. Our Officers Ayala and Guerra drove Joeann and Mikah to the Church of the Blessed Sacrament. They took them inside and introduced them to staff that immediately started working on finding a placement for them.

On 2-29-12, our Officers arrested a man for theft at the CVS Pharmacy located at 1747 Cahuenga. While waiting for the LAPD to respond, they saw Tim collapse in the parking lot. They called Paramedics who responded and transported Tim to the hospital.

On 2-29-12, our Officers saw Ken in distress. He appeared to be having a seizure. He is homeless and the BID has had contact with him for at least the last eight years. We called Paramedics and RA 82 responded and took him to the hospital.

On 2-29-12, our officers contacted a homeless woman at 1132 Vine where she was sitting on the sidewalk. She gave several names including Stalin Monroe Meyers, Joan Hurst and Joan Jones. She clearly has some mental issues. The Officers had spoken to her previously in the HBID and offered her help. She said that she was returning to her family in Fresno the next day. She told them the same thing on this occasion. Joan does receive Social Security and gets her check at the facility at 1122 Vine. We made referrals to PATH and Step Up On Second on her behalf.

Our friend's in the outreach community responded immediately. Reggie and Tyler from PATH responded to the scene and offered shelter. She told them she was off to Fresno, but would consider their offer. Otis from Step Up arrived and advised that she fit their criteria to become a client. He told Joan that he would work with PATH on her behalf and would try to get her Section 8 housing.

On 2-29-12, our Officers saw a woman stumbling along the sidewalk at 1123 Vine. She then fell to the ground. We offered to call Paramedics, but she refused saying that she is diabetic and just needed some sugar. The owner of a local store gave her a soda and our guys gave her a Milky Way bar. She soon recovered and then headed to the Social Security Office to get her check.

On 3-1-12, we received a radio call of a man refusing to leave the rear of 6607 Sunset Blvd. Upon arrival our Officers spoke to 19 year old Jonathon. He said he suddenly found himself homeless as his mother



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asked him to leave to accommodate her meth selling boyfriend. We called PATH on his behalf, but it was too late to make contact. We were able to contact My Friend's Place and they agreed to meet with him at 10:00 A/M/ the next morning.

On 3-2-12, we found an older female on the ground at 1122 Vine. We called Paramedics who responded and treated her at the scene.

On 3-4-12, we arrested juveniles Albert and Jezreel for trespass at 6724 Hollywood Blvd. after several unheeded warnings. After turning them over to the LAPD we learned that they were both reported runaways. They were taken to the proper authorities.

### **ENFORCEMENT:**

In the Hollywood BID we have made a total of 176 arrests. Eighty three were for drinking in public, 24 for urinating in public, 18 for trespass, 5 for illegal vending, 2 for battery, 24 for blocking the sidewalk, 6 for theft, 4 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 10 for felonies. We also made 51 homeless referrals, assisted 27 agencies, provided extra patrol to 480 locations, assisted 1539 citizens, handled 477 radio calls for service and made 359 business contacts.

In the Sunset BID, we have made a total of 63 arrests. Thirty seven were for drinking in public, 4 for urinating in public, 5 for trespass, 3 for battery, 3 for blocking the sidewalk, 1 for theft, 8 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 2 for felonies. We also made 96 homeless referrals, assisted 30 agencies, provided extra patrol to 191 locations, assisted 778 citizens, handled 261 radio calls for service, and made 508 business contacts.

The combined totals for both BIDS are 239 arrests. One hundred and twenty for drinking in public, 28 for urinating in public, 23 for trespass, 5 for illegal vending, 5 for battery, 27 for blocking the sidewalk, 7 for theft, 12 for miscellaneous misdemeanors and 12 for felonies. We also made a combined total of 147 homeless referrals, assisted 57 agencies, provided extra patrol to 671 locations, assisted 2317 citizens, handled 738 radio calls for service, and made 867 business contacts.

### **NOTED ARRESTS:**

On 2-9-12, we received a strange radio call to respond to the parking lot located at 1721 Argyle. The parking attendant pointed out Ashley. The attendant said that Ashley had





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been collecting parking fees from customers although he does not work there. Ashley is much larger than the attendant and had a 3 foot long parking wand. The attendant was too intimidated to try to stop the crime. After contacting Ashley, it was obvious that he was committing a theft. Interviewing several customers confirmed this. The attendant refused to make an arrest.

We called Manager Juana Ocampo to the scene. She also refused to make an arrest. Ashley did return \$167.00 that he had made selling parking to the Manager and was allowed to leave the scene.

Things are going smoothly in our new patrol area on Vine. We have made nine arrests there so far this year with no major problems. We are still coordinating our efforts with the LAPD SLO Paula Davidson.

On 2-10-12, I was walking in the 6800 block of Hollywood Blvd. when I saw suspect Amy attempting to sell puppies to passing pedestrians. BID Officers Gordon and Baxter responded. Gordon is a part-time BID Officer. He works full time for the Bureau of Street Enforcement and handling illegal vending issues is part of his duties. Amy was placed under arrest and the animals turned over to Animal Control. We transported Amy to the LAPD Station where she was cited out. We drove her back to the area of Hollywood and Orange where her car was parked as she was fearful of finding her way back safely.

On 2-10-12, we received a radio call of a trespasser at the Vagabond Motel located at 1133 Vine St. Upon arrival we arrested Garren who had snuck into a room and spent the night without paying. Garren said that he is a member of the Gangster Disciple street gang.

On 2-12-12, we interrupted a party in progress at 6435 Yucca. We observed Stephan, Reynauldo, Joshua and Donald having a 10:30 A.M. beer bash. They were arrested and then cited out by the LAPD in the field. We have found that breaking up these types of impromptu affairs helps to keep down the number of assaults and other crimes in the area. Several of these men have become the subject of radio calls on a daily basis. They are accused of drinking, trespassing and disrupting business.

On 2-16-12, we arrested Reggie for theft at 6933 Hollywood Blvd. After taking him to the LAPD Station, we learned that he had a prior conviction for theft. His charge was changed to the Felony 666PC Petty Theft with a Prior.

On 2-16-12, our Officers arrested Theodore at 1123 Vine for 12020(a) (1) PC. He was in possession of a baton which he was not licensed to



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carry. We called the LAPD to the scene and they took him into custody. He was posing as a security guard, but was not apparently hired by anyone to patrol the area.

We had an issue with this suspect back in 2010 as he turned up in the BID in a security guard uniform. He was patrolling the area claiming to be a BID Officer. This suspect's behavior is cause for concern as his motives are murky at best.

On 2-18-12, our Officers arrested Troy for Assault with a Deadly Weapon at Hollywood and Ivar. Sgt. McCall saw Troy swinging a hammer at people near the Metro Station. He called for back-up and followed the suspect who headed towards Ivar. Smith then attacked Michael who was a pedestrian. He kicked Michael twice and chased him as he tried to flee. Our Officers then were able to catch up to Troy and place him under arrest. LAPD Officers arrived and took custody.

A man came up and said that Troy had stolen the hammer from the back of his truck. He tried to stop Smith, but the suspect swung the hammer at him forcing him to retreat. Numerous people called the Police to advise that the suspect had swung the hammer at them as well.

On 2-23-12, we received a radio call of a man stuck in a trash can at the N/E corner of Hollywood and Cherokee. He was not stuck and we sent Paul on his way. About a half hour later, our Officers saw him sitting in a trash can on the opposite corner of the intersection. He was again warned and sent on his way. An hour later we found Paul lying on the sidewalk blocking pedestrians at 6679 Hollywood Blvd. He was then placed under arrest for blocking the sidewalk.

On 2-24-12, we arrested Ian for Trespass at Betty Paige located at 6650 Hollywood Blvd. The suspect has been going into the business multiple times in the last three days. He would enter and then scream profanities at the two female employees. They actually pepper sprayed him on one occasion, but he continued to return. We received several calls, but he was gone when we arrived. On this date we arrived in time and placed the suspect under arrest.

On 2-28-12, our Officers contacted Patrick in the 6400 block of Hollywood Blvd. He was asleep lying on the sidewalk while straddling his bicycle. We woke him and sent him on his way.





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We received a radio call a short time later of a man causing a disturbance at the Consumer Drug Store located at 6542 Hollywood Blvd. Upon arrival we saw that it was Patrick again. He rode his bike from the scene, but crashed into a wall and fell to the ground. Our Officers then made contact. We called Paramedics to the scene, but Patrick refused their help. We then called for the LAPD to respond.

Upon arrival they ran the suspect and learned that he had an outstanding felony PAL warrant. He was then taken into custody.

On 3-3-12, our Officers saw Nathan aggressively soliciting money from vehicles in traffic near 6300 Sunset Blvd. He was arrested per section 41.59(2) (A) LAMC. After turning him over to the LAPD, we learned that he was an escapee from Washington State. As they declined to extradite, he was cited out and released.

### **DEPLOYMENT:**

Our current deployment is from 6:00 A.M. until 8:00 P.M. Monday through Saturday. On Sunday we patrol from 10:00 A.M. until 6:00 P.M.

### **TRAINING UPDATE:**

During this period our Officers received training in Legal Update, Firearms training, Officer Safety Issues, Pedestrian Stops.



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